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LOK SABHA

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CONTRACT FARMING LAND LEASING ARRANGEMENTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to involve private sector for contract farming and land leasing arrangements;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b) In the National Policy on Agriculture announced in July, 2000 by the Government of India, private sector participation is proposed to be promoted through contract farming and land leasing arrangements to allow accelerated technology transfer, capital inflow and assured markets, for crop production. It is also proposed to develop lease markets for increasing the size of holdings by making legal provision for giving private lands on lease for cultivation and agri-business.

(c) Does not arise.